

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT application of)	
Tohru NATSUME et al.)	
Application No. 10/581,969)	Confirmation No. 8384
Filed: June 7, 2006)	Group Art Unit: 1656
For: NOVEL INTERACTION BETWEEN PROTEINS,)	Examiner: Maryam Monshipouri
AND THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR DISUSE)	
MUSCULAR ATROPHY OR METHOD)	
ASSOCIATED WITH DISUSE MUSCULAR)	
ATROPHY TAKING ADVANTAGE OF NOVEL)	
INTERACTION)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

Further in response to the restriction requirement mailed on January 23, 2009, applicant preliminarily amends the claims of this case as follows: